



Aldenham Today

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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER



Even though the School is now larger than in previous years, I am delighted that all of our 597 pupils and 80 staff can continue to fit into the chapel for main assemblies. This growth of the School, especially with the arrival of our 85 new pupils in Year 7, is a great endorsement of the work of all the staff and indeed of the quality of the all-round education we offer. We can expect this to continue as we were pleased to welcome over 320 candidates sitting our 11+ entrance tests and 70 candidates for the 13+ tests, looking to join the School in September.

Local parents are finding it easier to drop off and pick up their children with the opening of our new coach park. This enhanced facility has also given us the opportunity to develop additional transport links with our new coach routes from Harpenden/St Albans and Berkhamsted/Hemel Hempstead.

The House Music competition continues to be one of the highlights of the Christmas term, when every single pupil in the Senior School performs on stage in front of parents, staff and their peers. The excitement and enjoyment that this event generates cannot be overstated. It will be one of the first memories they will form at Aldenham which gives an immense pride and loyalty to their House. You can read more about this along with the many school trips available to pupils, plus a full programme of specialist speakers and extracurricular activities on offer in our busy school.

Our sportsmen and women are reaping the benefits of their recent tours; girls' netball players to Sri Lanka, boys' and girls' Hockey to Holland and footballers to Madrid. I look forward to seeing many of you at future school events and sports fixtures. We are anticipating another large turnout at Burton Albion Football Club (Pirelli Stadium) when our Under 15 footballers are again playing in the ISFA national finals on 7 March when we hope to retain this prestigious trophy.

James Fowler



SIXTH FORM DINNER

150 students and staff gathered to enjoy a three course meal at the annual Sixth Form dinner. This year's theme was particularly poignant – one hundred years on from the end of World War 1, and we commemorated the 163 Aldenham students whose lives were tragically cut short in the 'war to end all wars'.

The dining hall bore the unmistakable hallmarks of Mr Spencer's handiwork: decked in flags, flowers and war memorabilia, it looked absolutely resplendent. Aldenham Prep School student **Isla Murray** gave a moving rendition of the Last Post; and Mr Stewart read a beautiful poem he had written four years ago to mark the start of WW1. The evening finished with short speeches by Mrs Murray and Head Boy **Michael Li** and Head Girl **Sasha MacDonald**.

DRAMA

A Level Drama students took part in an exciting, physical workshop led by internationally renowned theatre company, Frantic Assembly. This vigorous six hour workshop stretched the students both physically and creatively and ended with learning how to fly and walk on walls!



MARTINEAU'S DRAMA COMPETITION

The theme for the annual Martineau's House Drama Competition was 'Fairy Tales', with each group focusing on moral values. They were given a day to create a ten minute performance piece. The winners of the Best Play were Beck whose performance of *The Shoemaker and the Elves* contained not only humour in abundance but also had a strong moral message. Their adaptation showed how doing a good deed is sometimes more important than the praise received. Stand-out actors throughout the performances included **Isabella Yeabsley**, **Jackson Miller** and **Ben Reid** but this year's Best Actor prize went to **Hannah Cushion**.



THE CAROL SERVICE AT ST ALBANS ABBEY

The Carol Service was held in a packed St Albans Cathedral and was a splendid way to round off a very busy Christmas term. There was an atmosphere of expectation as the lights were dimmed while the choir sang an unaccompanied medieval plainsong introit from the back of the cathedral before the lone soprano voice of **Imogen Wilson** (Year 13) started the traditional first carol, *Once in Royal David's City*. This was followed by a brilliant brass fanfare coinciding with the switching on of the lights and the full blast of the organ as the congregation joined in with full voice.



The service followed the traditional mix of readings, congregational carols and choir pieces which included a modern setting by Bob Chilcott of *In the bleak mid-winter* and John Joubert's spirited *Torches*, amongst a wide variety of choral items, ensuring that the service was filled with joy.



ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHAPEL

We were delighted to welcome two very special guests of honour to the 80th anniversary since the Chapel at Aldenham was consecrated: Mr Geoffrey Prall and Mr Philip Osmond. Both these gentlemen were pupils at the consecration of the Chapel on 8 October 1938. The Rt Revd Dr Alan Smith, the Lord Bishop of St Albans, led this wonderful celebration. Amongst the other special guests were two former school chaplains; The Revd Canon Andrew Stead and The Revd Dan Bond,

along with Archdeacon Jonathan (Archdeacon for St Albans and a school governor), Mr Trevor Barton, the Chair of Governors, and Mr James James-Crook, President of the OA Society.

Head Boy and Girl, **Michael Li** and **Sasha MacDonald**, read the prayers written specially by The Revd Wealands Bell (School Chaplain 2004-2007) for the event. The service was concluded with robust singing of an all-time school favourite: *Jerusalem*.



One of the highlights of the service was when two of the youngest pupils, **Jo Hime** (Head Boy in Martineau's) left the chapel with Mr Osmond, and **Penzy Thairu**, junior Head Girl, with Mr Prall. Seeing the time span of the Chapel represented by two of our younger pupils and two much older former pupils, was particularly moving.

CCF



Aldenham CCF had a lot of fun at Lee Valley White Water Centre when they visited for an adventure training field day. They took part in white water rafting, water wipe out, beach volley ball and beach football as well as a raft building team exercise.

ALDENHAM SCHOOL REMEMBERS



Staff and pupils from the Senior School walked through a sea of more than 50 national flags proudly displayed by pupils. These flags were then draped over the altar, symbolising that they are all united in their commitment to peace.



The Aldenham CCF marched from the School to the village behind the rallying sound of the bagpipes before they stood in formation by the war memorial making an important reminder of the significance of the event. One of the highlights was the flypast by a Spitfire on this centenary of the end of the First World War.



The Headmaster, Mr James Fowler, was joined by the President of the OA Society and the Senior and Prep School Head Boys and Girls as they laid wreaths alongside religious and community leaders at the Letchmore Heath service on Remembrance Sunday. The School Brass Ensemble led the hymns as a large number of the local community gathered in the morning sunshine, like many others across the country.

The Chaplain spoke about the importance of remembering, which can enable healing. Head Boy and Girl, **Michael Li** and **Sasha MacDonald** read the 19 names of OAs who died between 1917 and 1918. **Dominic Hampstead**, **Danyal Hussain** and **Joshua Jayson** played the trumpet magnificently for the Last Post and the Reveille. The prayers were led beautifully by the Junior Head Boy and Girl, **Jo Hime** and **Penzy Thairu**, to conclude a moving service. Everyone left in silence as the chapel bell tolled 288 times to represent all those pupils from Aldenham who have lost their lives due to war.

UK TEAM MATHS CHALLENGE



Our Senior Maths team of **Seul Han**, **Joon Han**, **Ali McNeill** and **Luca Buttinger** came 9th out of 25 schools – in a hugely competitive North London field. A top 10 place is a tremendous achievement.

CLASSICS DEPARTMENT VISIT ROME & NAPLES



The Classics department took 36 students to Rome and the Bay of Naples for an eye opening and educational trip over half term. Students visited many of the incredible monuments which populate Rome. On one strenuous day of walking, the students saw the Colosseum, Palatine, Forum, Circus Maximus, Trevi Fountain as well as the Pantheon, which proved to be a favourite for many of the students with its stunning un-reinforced dome. There was still, of course, time for ice cream at one of the city's most renowned and respected gelaterias!

After Rome, they moved onto the Bay of Naples, staying in Sorrento. Visits were made to the haunting towns of Pompeii and Herculaneum, destroyed and preserved in the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD. After this insight into the everyday lives of the ancient Romans, they saw many of the artefacts from these towns through a scavenger

hunt in the Naples Archaeological museum. The following morning included a visit to an olive oil farm to learn about the production process. The students had a fantastic time and were excellent ambassadors for the School, behaving impeccably in all situations.



YEAR 12 PSYCHOLOGISTS' COCKTAIL PARTY



The Year 12 Psychology students enjoyed their 'Psychologists Cocktail Party' when students were each allocated a well-known psychologist to research and represent, such as Freud, Bandura and Loftus. At the cocktail party, the students had a quick carousel or 'speed dating' activity, to find out about each other in their roles. They then had to choose which psychologist was most similar in views to their own role.

ELEVATE EDUCATION

Pupils in Years 7, 9 and 11 participated in study skills programmes delivered by Elevate Education, a multi-award winning organisation that has revolutionised the way study skills are taught around the world. Year 7 pupils were shown how to 'study smart' focusing on how we digest information, and learning strategies to make this more efficient. Year 9 focused on memory and leaned tips for improving their long term memory and tricks for smart revision including maximising attention and minimising distractions. Meanwhile, pupils in Year 11 covered high value exam preparation tasks; how to ensure constant improvement, time allocation during exam preparation and techniques for managing stress and time pressure in exams.



ESU PUBLIC SPEAKING SUCCESS

The Aldenham team impressed the judges at the English Speaking Union Sixth Form Public speaking competition on the topic of 'The Flaws of Globalisation'. They were placed third in the whole of the East of England, certainly an impressive achievement. Their excellent presentations clearly demonstrate that they all have a very bright future in public speaking.



Aldenham hosted the first round of the Hertfordshire ESU public speaking competition with Year 10 girls **Eleanor McNeill**, **Lorenza Bertacchi** and **Krish Menon**. Although this was their first foray into the competition, they managed to secure a place in the Hertfordshire finals.

DEATH OF ONE OF OUR MOST DISTINGUISHED OAS, FIELD MARSHAL LORD VINCENT

The School was deeply saddened by the death of Field Marshal the Lord Vincent GBE KCB DSO. After his National Service he became a full time soldier with the Royal Artillery eventually rising to be the most senior ranking officer in the British Army. During his illustrious military career he served with the Commonwealth Brigade in Malaysia at the time of the Indonesia-Malaysia confrontation: He commanded the 12th Light Air Defence Regiment in Northern Ireland during the Troubles, for which he was awarded the DSO, and later the 19th Airborne Brigade. He went on to be Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff in the late 1980s in the aftermath of the Gulf War and subsequently became Chair of the Military Committee of NATO in the mid-1990s. He was ennobled in the 1996 Birthday Honours, and had a long lasting connection with the School as he assumed the Presidency of the Old Aldenhamian Society in 1999 and for many years served as a Governor. In recent years he was made a Governor Emeritus.



GEOGRAPHERS IN ICELAND

At half term 19 intrepid Year 11 geographers put on their winter woollies and headed off for five days of exploration in Iceland. They were led by expert geographer and volcanologist, David Edwards, and given the unpredictability of Iceland's volcanoes this was reassuring to say the least.

Visits included a trip to Hellisheidi Power Station, which helps Iceland to produce 100% of their energy needs from geothermal energy; the Secret Lagoon and the Gulfoss waterfall; the beautiful coastline of Reynishverfi and the Dyrholaey peninsula, and Sólheimajökull for the much anticipated glacier climb and cave experience. On the final day there was a walk behind the Seljalandsfoss waterfall followed by some window shopping in Reykjavik before heading home.



BUSINESS STUDIES

Professor Shackleton from the University of Buckingham and member of the Institute of Economic Affairs spoke at the Business Society. His insightful lecture on the state of the UK labour market, with particular reference to the risks of automation and AI removing jobs, concluded that research shows that more jobs are currently being created than destroyed. He then fielded questions from an enthusiastic audience made up of A Level Business and Economics students.



AWARD GIVEN TO HEAD BOY



Michael Li was thrilled to receive a high commendation for his economics essay from the John Locke Institute Essay Competition at a gala dinner held at Oxford University. Michael did extremely well to be nominated as a finalist as his was one of a large number of entries from no less than 101 different countries. Michael received his awards from Martin Cox, Director of the John Locke Institute.

BANK OF ENGLAND INTEREST RATE CHALLENGE

The inaugural Interest Rate Challenge, created and hosted by Aldenham School, involved presentations by teams of students from four schools. Each team spoke for 15 minutes on whether the Bank of England should raise, lower or maintain interest rates to achieve the CPI inflation target of 2.0%. Students then took questions from the judge, Miss Gosia Goralczyk, an agent from the Bank of England, to clarify their position and check their understanding. She congratulated everyone on the high standard and quality of the presentations and all the work they had put in.



OXBRIDGE OFFERS



Two of our students will be amongst those anticipating high grades for their A Levels in August, as they have received offers to study at Oxford and Cambridge. **Patrick Duggan** is looking forward to reading French at New College, Oxford, and, because of her keen interest in ancient and medieval history, **Imogen Wilson** is planning a degree in Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic at Cambridge.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS SUCCESS AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY



Four Sixth Form students from Aldenham School took their seats alongside 700 students from across the globe at the historic Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford University, for the opening ceremony of the Oxford Global Model United Nations Conference. Schools ranged from the more familiar Rugby and Harrow to those from further afield including Israel, India, China and Malaysia to name but a few.

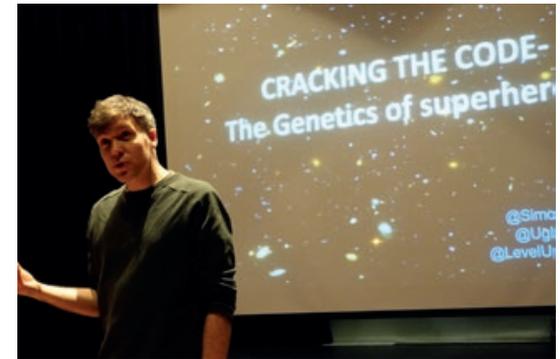
Delegates moved into committees where they were able to put all the hours spent on preparation into action. Aldenham School took their seats in: ECOFIN, the Economic and Financial Committee (**Michael Li** representing Vietnam and **Umar Shah** representing Yemen), DISEC, the Disarmament and International Security Committee (**Shuj Thairu** representing Vietnam) and the Historical Crisis Committee – Colombian Narcoterrorism (**Nick Davis** representing Victor Patino Fomeque, a policeman turned drug smuggler for the Cali Cartel).

By Sunday afternoon committees had worked together - learning when to collaborate and to stand up for the needs of their individual countries - in order to come to a resolution to solve the global issues in front of them. All four students performed outstandingly and were able to shape the direction of their committees' resolutions, but particular congratulations go to **Nick Davis** who was presented with the award for 'Outstanding Delegate' – the first place prize within his committee and second place over all. He was also voted the most persuasive speaker by his peers.



EXTRAORDINARY SCIENTISTS

A select group of our science students were treated to a journey of scientific discovery about diet and intestinal bacteria and how it may influence behaviour which was ably led by Dr Emily Grossman. Dr Grossman has a double first from Cambridge University and a PhD in cancer research, she is also an actress and singer. Currently working as a science communicator she has frequently appeared at The Royal College of Physicians and The British Science Festival. Her television credits include being a resident science expert on The Alan Titchmarsh Show, Discovery Channel's *How Do They Do It?*, and the fact-based celebrity panel-show *Duck Quacks Don't Echo* hosted by Lee Mack.



30 students braved the snow and ice to attend the second of the Extraordinary Scientist lectures this year. The guest speaker, Mr Simon Watt, is a writer, science communicator and TV presenter. His talk on *Cracking The Code: The Genetics of Superheroes* investigated genetics using superheroes covering the key biological concepts of Genetics, including Mutation, DNA, mRNA, Gene Therapy and more.

The interactive talk saw students playing genetic telephone whippers and **Tom Wright** as a bacterium being sprayed with 'genetic material'. It was very informative and provoked much discussion on the ethics of genetic manipulation.

YEAR 13 MOCK INTERVIEW EVENING

As part of their preparation for university and higher education, our Year 13 students were tested on their interview techniques in a mock interview session. Following a rigorous formal interview by local business people and other professionals, students were marked and given feedback on their performance, as well as expert advice.

CAREERS FAIR

More than 40 organisations and over 200 students from Aldenham and neighbouring schools were given the opportunity to meet recruiters to find out more about employers and industries at the Aldenham School Careers Fair. Companies included KPMG, Deloitte, Glamour Magazine, John Lewis Partnership, London Film Academy, Royal Air Force and the NHS. Breast Cancer Now promoted the charity sector, alongside gap year organisations and OA entrepreneurs Oliver Jacobs and Joseph Black who exhibited as Unidosh. The evening proved to be a very busy one and was a huge success for both exhibitors and students. The Careers Fair will be back in 2020.



EXCELLENT EPQ RESULTS

Parents, staff and students came together for a special celebratory event for Year 13 EPQ students. The Extended Project Qualification is worth half an A Level and is highly valued by universities as it encourages the development of independent learning and research skills. This year's subjects were based on topics as diverse as dyslexia, football sponsorship, bitcoin and Atlantic Roundhouses. The EPQs were produced in a variety of ways, ranging from composing an operetta, teaching a Year 1 class, performing a cost-benefit analysis and creating a collection of garments.

Each student presented on their research journey and the findings of their projects.

This year's results again were outstanding. Not only did our students achieve 100% A* - C, but **Dan Travers** even received 100% of the raw marks for his EPQ - a truly outstanding result. His EPQ was on Football Analytics and the universities he has applied to, to read Sport Management in the autumn, have said how incredibly rare this achievement is. The EPQ results included 55% A*s and 73% A*-A.



MUSICAL NOTES

HOUSE MUSIC

The excitement of the annual House Music competition begins on the first day of the start of term. Meticulous planning and countless rehearsals ensure that polished performances are always delivered to the delight of an enthusiastic audience. In a highly charged competition like this, everyone will have their favourites but it truly is an event where each student emerges a winner, congratulations to everyone!

This year's musicians did not fail to impress as the adjudicator Mr Thomas Hewitt Jones was quick to highlight. As a previous winner of the BBC Young

Composer of the Year and holder of a BBC Music Magazine 'Premiere Album' award plus lots of large-scale works and commercial commissions to his name, he ought to know.

The winners should take great pride in their success in such a high level competition. The Sally Cup for the best Ensemble went to McGill's for the fantastic groove they brought to Herbie Hancock's *Chameleon*. The wonderful female vocal group of Paull's showed beautiful harmony in the Part Song, winning them the trophy.



The solos were perhaps the most difficult to judge, but all brought something fantastic to the event. Congratulations to **Bob He** of McGill's, whose great command of the piano playing Chopin's *Waltz in E Minor* with lovely musical shape made him the winner.



The inclusion of 150 Martineau's pupils, whose uplifting rendition of *Rhythm of Life* from *Sweet Charity*, meant that every boy and girl in the Senior School got to perform on stage. The final event of the evening was the Union competition which was won by the boys in Leeman's for their passion and awesome teamwork in a Quentin Tarantino Movie Medley. The best conductor cup went to **Joon Han** from McGill's who "had the choir in the palm of his hand".

YEAR 7 CONCERT FOR PARENTS



For the first term of their school career at Aldenham, all Year 7s are given the opportunity to have free group lessons on an orchestral instrument of their choice. After less than ten weeks of lessons they perform in front of family and friends at the annual Year 7 Music Festival. Parents, family, friends and staff were again treated to a fantastic range of music groups: from forthright brass and woodwind ensembles to intricate harp duets and funky double basses. They were also lucky to enjoy virtuoso solo performances including those from our talented music scholars. To finish off the evening an enthusiastic audience joined in with a lively *Jingle Bells* finale, as Christmas was fast approaching.

LES PHILOSOPHES

Our eager audience, including 40 Sixth Form students from St George's School in Harpenden, welcomed Dr Peter Wothers who is teaching fellow at St Catharine's College Cambridge, to talk about The Periodic Table 1869-2019. This year has been designated as the international year of the Periodic Table to commemorate the 150th anniversary of its creation by Dmitry Mendeleev. As well as being a prominent chemist and educator, Dr Wothers is known for presenting the 2012 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures and for organising the International Chemistry Olympiad, for which he was appointed an MBE for services to chemistry.



SPORT

FOOTBALL

FOOTBALL TOUR TO MADRID

The U14 and U15 footballers enjoyed a busy bi-annual football tour to Madrid starting with a visit to Atletico Madrid's training ground for their first training session followed by a tour of Real Madrid's awesome Bernabeau stadium.

The real fun started with the first matches of the tour against a local Spanish youth team in which both Aldenham teams were too strong for their Spanish counterparts. Highlights were a hat-trick for **Romey Eccles-Meeded**, a 25 yard wonder strike by **Jack Young** and a superb headed goal by usual goalkeeper **Sam Jacobs**.

More training at Real Madrid's training ground was followed by matches against another local Spanish youth team. The U14s realised very quickly that this match wasn't going to be as easy as the previous day as the opposition were at least one school year older than them! A mix up with the opposition also meant that the U15s couldn't play their game due to a big age difference between the two teams.



However, the following day more than made up for this disappointment as the matches vs Kings College British School, Madrid were closely fought. In the end the U14s managed a respectable 1-1 draw and the U15s narrowly lost 3-2. There was no time for the U15 team to dwell on their defeat though, as a friendly game was arranged against the Accrington Stanley U15 academy team who were staying in the same hotel. Starting as major underdogs, especially considering they'd already played a match in the morning, the team put in an unbelievable performance to win 2-1 courtesy of a brilliant winning volley by **Joe Barry-Djemal**. To beat an academy side shows how good our U15s can be when they really focus!

There was just enough time to train at Atletico Madrid's training ground again before flying back home. It was a whirlwind trip with every day full of fantastic experiences which will stay with the pupils for a long time.



U15 ISFA FINALISTS, AGAIN

A superb win against Moorland School takes our U15 footballers through to the ISFA national finals where they will be defending their place as last year's champions on 7 March at the Burton Albion stadium.

The team played a fantastic game and maintained a formidable attacking presence throughout, despite going down 1-0 in the first 20 minutes. An equaliser from **Ose Ufuah** just before the end of the first half lifted their spirits and in the second half they were noticeably stronger, with the ball rarely entering our end of the pitch. A stunning touchline goal by **Luca Boast**, 10 minutes from the end, ensured a well-deserved victory.

PROFESSIONAL OA FOOTBALLERS

Ex-Aldenham pupils James Olayinka, Xavier Amaechi and Maurizio Pochettino met up again in the FA Youth Cup playing for Arsenal and Tottenham Hotspur. James and Xavier play for the Arsenal U18 side and Maurizio is in the Tottenham team. Xavier scored one of the goals for Arsenal in their 5-2 win to see them progress in the prestigious youth





NETBALL

The Netball Tour to Sri Lanka was described by one of the 17 girls on the 10-day trip, **Abi Maughan**, as “an amazing opportunity to develop knowledge, not only of our netball skills but of the culture of this breath taking country. It is trips like these that make me so thankful for sports at Aldenham”.

Due to the Sri Lankan climate, matches were played in the afternoons leaving time to relax and for some sightseeing. The first matches were wake up calls as the Sri Lankans were tall, fast and agile. Having adjusted slightly to the climate, the play was stronger in the following matches as the girls focused on all the targets they had been set.

In the two matches which followed, each player showed great improvement as they worked exceptionally hard in the very hot weather. The end result was a narrow defeat for the A team and a convincing win for the B team. The last two matches were in Kandy against Mahamaya College which they both won convincingly.



Probably one of the highlights for most was the visit to an elephant orphanage in Pinnawala to see semi wild elephants play in the river and watch them cross the road from the orphanage to the river. A visit to the UNESCO World Heritage site the Temple of the Tooth showed how the Sri Lankan people observe their religion.

CRICKET



Congratulations to Aldenham for winning the Eastern areas Top School for “playing well and within the spirit of cricket”. Presentations were made to the regional winners at the annual XL (Forty) Cricket Club dinner at Lords.



Year 10 student Tom Francis represented England in the Under 15 Indoor Cricket World Cup in New Zealand, what a fantastic achievement for Tom to be representing his country in this prestigious event!

HOCKEY



Boys and girls toured Holland together with both squads being hugely supportive of each other both on and off the pitch. After two action packed days in Rotterdam training with top coaches and playing against Capelle HC and Rotterdam HC, interspersed with leisure time at the huge Efteling Theme Park it was time to relocate to Eindhoven. The next three days saw them take on an even bigger challenge of competing against the might of Den Bosch and Orange Rod hockey clubs which are two of the biggest clubs in Europe. The sight of huge stands and clubs with 10 times more pitches and playing members than any

club in England was intimidating but inspiring in equal measure. So too was the training session the boys received from the Belgian Head Coach. The girls had already had training with the England Head Coach before they went on the trip. There was even a surprise bonus of the Japanese women's team playing a game on the adjacent pitch.

Both squads benefitted hugely from the trip and acquitted themselves marvellously both on and off the pitch. New friendships were made and existing ones strengthened by a common purpose and shared experiences.

GOLF

The Aldenham School Golf team has again, for the 3rd time in 4 years, won the Regional competition of the ISGA Matchplay competition. This is the largest independent schools' golf competition in the country, involving over 120 schools. Arran Kanth, Lewis Slade and Fletcher Masterson defeated St Columba's A (2.5-0.5), St Columba's B (2-1) and Haberdashers' A (2.5-0.5) and will play in the National Finals in April at Prince's and Royal St George's in Sandwich.



Old Aldenham Matt Wallace (pictured here with Lewis Slade) who is currently ranked 37th in the world, returned to his old school to share his experiences. Despite the inclement weather the coaching session was particularly exciting and the Q & A session most inspiring. Matt's friendly, honest and down to earth manner was just perfect. We were all very grateful to him for making the time to come back to the School to share his experiences, and will of course continue to follow his progress with enthusiasm and pride.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27/28 March

Dance Show

4 April

Spring Concert

9 June

OA Day

14 June

Prep Schools' Cricket Festival

15 June

OPEN MORNING

22 June

Visitation Day

28 June

Eros to Eros Run

28 June

ASPA Leavers' Ball

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